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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re

U.S. Application of:

Yoshihiro HARA

For:

DRIVE DEVICE, POSITION CONTROLLER  
PROVIDED WITH DRIVING DEVICE, AND  
CAMERA PROVIDED WITH POSITION  
CONTROLLER

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant wishes to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each document is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

No representation is made, and no representation is intended, that more relevant material does not exist, or that the order of presentation of this material in any way reflects its relative pertinence.

The following documents are cited in the specification of the application in the order listed:

- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 2001-078472 (SONY CORP), published March 23, 2001;
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 8-201402 (OLYMPUS OPTICAL CO LTD), published August 9, 1996; and
- (3) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 6-229753 (OLYMPUS OPTICAL CO LTD), published August 19, 1994.

Also, Applicant would like to bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner:


- (4) Japanese Published Unexamined Application No. (A) 2001-211669 (MINOLTA CO LTD), published August 3, 2001;
- (5) Tong, U.S. Patent No. 5,729,015, issued March 17, 1998; and
- (6) Yoshida et al, U.S. Patent No. 6,512,321 B2, issued January 28, 2003.

Document (5) is a U.S. counterpart to Document (2).

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